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Council Report May 29, 2009

The Municipal Pool opened for the season on May 23rd, and the annual Splash Bash was enjoyed by the youngsters who had just been "released" from school on May 26th.

Parks improvements continue: in Tapawingo Park, concrete and asphalt work has been completed, and installation of the new band shell shelter will soon begin; new Adopt-A-Spot signs were installed, and the installation of new trees and landscape plantings is underway; and at Lilly Nature Center, work on the installation of a new water service line and an outdoor drinking fountain has begun.

Upcoming "Wednesdays in the Wild" programs at Lilly nature Center include:

June 3rd (7-9 pm; indoor program), "Snakes: Fact or Fiction"; learn fascinating facts about the lives of some of Indiana's most misunderstood residents.

June 24th (1-3 pm; indoor program), "Easy Moss ID"; learn about certain species of mosses that are easy to identify because of characteristic clues.

July 1st (8-10 pm), "Fireflies - Nature's Little Night Lights"; find out why they "light" and how do they do it.

There are also new "Family Environmental Fun Packs" available at the nature center for enjoyment of the outdoors.

Thanks to the many runners who regularly enjoy Celery Bog Footpath for spending several hours volunteering to spread new mulch on the trail.

The Sagamore West Farmers Market is open every Wednesday in Cumberland Park, 3-6:30 pm.

The next Park Board meeting is June 15th at 4:30 pm in City Hall.

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